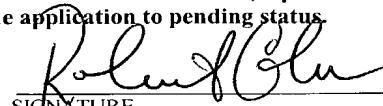1 00069176 061302

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371	SONYJP-180

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INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP01/05327	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATES 21 June 2001	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED 21 June 2000

TITLE OF INVENTION   INFORMATION PROCESSING DEVICE AND METHOD

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US   Tomoyuki Asano, Yoshitomo Osawa, Ryuji Ishiguro, Atsushi Mitsuzawa, and Tateo Oishi

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. [x] This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.

2. [ ] This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing 35 U.S.C 371

3. [x] This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371 (f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.

4. [ ] The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (PCT Article 31).

5. [x] A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U S.C. 371 (c)(2))

    a. [ ] is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).

    b. [x] has been communicated by the International Bureau.

    c. [ ] is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).

6 [x] An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2))

    a. [x] is attached hereto.

    b. [ ] has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).

7. [x] Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))

    a. [ ] are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).

    b. [ ] have been communicated by the International Bureau.

    c. [ ] have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.

    d. [x] have not been made and will not be made.

8. [ ] An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U S.C. 371 (c)(3)).

9. [x] An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)). (Unexecuted)

10. [ ] An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U S.C. 371 (c)(5)).

Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:

11 [x] An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. w/PTO-14499, 8 references

12. [ ] An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.

13. [ ] A FIRST preliminary amendment.

14. [ ] A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment

15. [ ] A substitute specification.

16. [ ] A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.

17. [ ] A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825.

18 [ ] A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S C. 154(d)(4)

19. [ ] A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).

20. [x] Other items or information. Copy of Face Page of International Application as published, Copy of PCT Request (in Japanese), Twenty-Nine (29) Sheets of Formal Drawings

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21. [x] The following fees are submitted.

CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY

BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492 (a) (1) – (5)):

[ ] Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1 482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO $1040.00

[x] International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1 482) not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO . . $890.00

[ ] International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1 482) not paid to USPTO but international search fee (37 CFR 1 445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO $740 00

[ ] International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) $710 00

[ ] International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1 482) paid to USPTO and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) $100 00

ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =	$ 890.00

Surcharge of $_____ for furnishing the oath or declaration later than
[ ] 20 [ ] 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492 (e)). $

CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	
Total claims	33-20 =	13	x 18.00	$ 234.00
Independent claims	13-3 =	10	x 84.00	$ 840.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(s) (if applicable)			+	$
TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =				$ 1,964.00

[ ] Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by ½ $

SUBTOTAL =	$ 1,964.00

Processing fee of $_____ for furnishing the English translation later than
[ ] 20 [ ] 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492 (f)). + $

TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =	$ 1,964.00

Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21 (h)). Assignment must be accompanied by appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31) + $
(_____ per property).

TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =	$ 1,964.00
Amount to be Refunded:	$
Charged:	$

a. [ ] A check in the amount of $_____ to cover the above fees is enclosed.

b [x] Please charge my Deposit Account No. __12-1095__ in the amount of $ __1,964.00__ to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

c. [x] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to my Deposit Account No. __12-1095__. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137 (a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

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